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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6761**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1778**

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 10, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Pleas of no contest.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**

**GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Pending

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill extends the authority to enter a plea of no contest to juvenile, criminal, nonmoving traffic violations, and other violations punishable as an infraction. It replaces references to "nolo contendere" with the phrase "no contest". It includes a reference to the plea of guilty but mentally ill at the time of the crime in all statutory lists of the available pleas in Indiana. It provides that a traffic violation form that includes a reference to the phrase "nolo contendere" or fails to contain a reference to a plea or finding of "guilty but mentally ill at the time of the crime" may be used after June 30, 2001, to the same extent as if the form referred to the phrase "no contest" or contained the phrase "guilty but mentally ill at the time of the crime". It makes related changes.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.*

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**